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ENERGY

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BY THE BOARD:

On June 15, 2009, Atlantic City Electric Company ("ACE" or "Company") filed a petition with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities ("Board") requesting recovery of Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC") approved changes in firm transmission service related charges.

The Company's proposed tariffs reflect changes to the Basic Generation Service-Fixed Price ("BGS-FP") and BGS-Commercial and Industrial Pricing ("BGS-CIEP") rates to customers resulting from changes in the PJM Open Access Transmission Tariff ("OATT") made in response to an updated formula rate filing made by PPL Electric Utilities Corporation in FERC Docket No. ER08-1457; a revised formula rate filing made by American Electric Power Service Corporation in FERC Docket No. ER08-1329; a revised formula rate filing made by Trans-Allegheny Interstate Line Company ("TrAILCo") in FERC Docket No. ER07-562; revised formula rate filing made by Delmarva Power and Light Company ("Delmarva") in FERC Docket No. ER09-1158; and a revised formula rate filing made by Potomac Electric Power Company ("PEPCo") in FERC Docket No. ER09-1159; and ACE's revised formula rate filing in FERC Docket No. ER09-1156. The modified rate filing made by PEPCo Holdings Inc.'s ("PHI") three public utility affiliates (Delmarva, PEPCo, and ACE) were made with respect to the Mid Atlantic Power Pathway ("MAPP") project. The net effect of all changes is a decrease in firm transmission service related charges. The Company requested that the changes become effective on July 1, 2009.

ACE also requested that the BGS suppliers be compensated for the changes resulting from the implementation of these updates to formula rates effective June 1, 2009, subject to the terms and conditions of the applicable Supplier Master Agreement(s) ("SMAs"). Any differences between payments to BGS Suppliers and charges to customers would flow through the BGS Reconciliation Charges.

The Company stated that this filing satisfies the requirements of paragraph 15.9(a) (i) and (ii) of the BGS-FP and BGS-CIEP SMAs, which mandate that BGS-FP and BGS-CIEP suppliers be notified of rate increases and decreases for firm transmission service, and that the electric distribution companies ("EDCs") file for and obtain Board approval of an increase or decrease in retail rates commensurate with the FERC-implemented rate changes.

The specific Schedule 12 charges, referred to as Transmission Enhancement Charges ("TECs"), were implemented to compensate transmission owners for the annual transmission revenue requirements for "Required Transmission Enhancements" (as defined in the PJM OATT) that are requested by PJM for reliability or economic purposes. The costs of TECs are recovered by PJM according to an assigned cost responsibility through an additional transmission charge assessed in the affected transmission zones.

Based on the allocation of the TEC charges and the update of the Company's formula transmission rates, among the service classes in accordance with ACE's tariff, a typical residential customer using 750 kWh per month will see a decrease in their annual bill of approximately \$0.04.

DISCUSSION AND FINDINGS

In the Board's Order dated December 2, 2003, in Docket No. EO03050394, the Board found that the pass through of any changes in the network integration transmission charge, and other charges associated with the FERC-approved OATT is appropriate. Furthermore, by subsequent Orders, the Board approved Section 15.9 of the SMAs as filed by the EDCs which requires that the EDCs file for Board approval of any increases or decreases in their transmission charges that have been approved by the FERC. The SMAs also authorize the EDCs to increase or decrease the rates paid to suppliers for FERC-approved rates and changes to Firm Transmission Services once approved by the Board. The Board Orders further required that the EDCs review and verify the requested FERC authorized changes.

After review of the verifications and supporting documentation, the Board <u>HEREBY FINDS</u> that the June 15 filing satisfies ACE's obligations under paragraph 15.9 (a)(i) and (ii) of the relevant SMA, and <u>HEREBY APPROVES</u> the net decrease to the Company's retail transmission rates and BGS-FP and BGS-CIEP rates requested by ACE for its changes in transmission charges resulting from the FERC-approved changes effective for service on or after October 1, 2009. ACE is <u>HEREBY ORDERED</u> to compensate the BGS suppliers for this transmission rate increase subject to the terms and conditions of the SMAs.

Further, the Board HEREBY DIRECTS ACE to file tariffs and rates consistent with the Board's findings within five (5) business days of the date of this Board Order.

DATED:

BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

PRESIDENT

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ATTEST:

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the within document is a true copy of the original in the files of the Board of Public

Utilities

I/M/O the Petition of Atlantic City Electric Company ("ACE") for Approval to
Implement FERC-Approved Changes to ACE's Retail Transmission (Formula) Rate
Pursuant to Paragraphs 15.9 of the BGS-FP and BGS-CIEP Supplier Master Agreements
and Tariff Filing Reflecting Changes to Schedule 12 Charges in PJM Open Access Transmission Tariff
BPU Docket No. ER09060464

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